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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

President—R. B. Hayes.
Vice President—Wm. A. Wheeler.
Secretary of State—Wm. A. Evarts.
Secretary Treasury—John Sherman.
Secretary of War—Gen. ——— Ramsey.
Secretary Navy—Richard Thompson.
Secretary Interior—Carl Schurz.
Postmaster General—David M. Key.
Attorney General—Charles Devens.

STATE OFFICERS.

Governor—Luke P. Blackburn.
Lt. Governor—J. B. Caniroll.
Secretary of State—S. S. Churchill.
Assist. Sec. of State—Thos. G. Harris.
State Auditor—Farris Bewitt.
Treasurer—James W. Tate.
Attorney General—P. W. Hardin.
Regt. Land Office—Alph. Shelton.
Supt. Public Instruction—J. D. Pickett.
Board Printer—Elvis Perter.

APPOINTMENTS.

——, Pryor, Chief Minister; Thos. F. Burgin, Thomas Hines, and ——— Cofer, Judges.

COURTS.

Fulton County Court—H. C. Bailey, Judge, held 4th Monday in each month.

Fulton County Quarterly Court—H. C. Bailey, Judge, held 4th Monday in January, April, July and October.

MAGISTRATES COURTS.

1st District—Hon. Sec. Beard, 2d Saturday in March, June, September and December.

2d District—Hon. Thomas Bell, 2d Saturday in March, June, September and December.

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FRIDAY, : : : : AUG. 13, 1880.

FOR PRESIDENT
WINFIELD SCOTT HANCOCK,
of Pennsylvania.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT
W. H. ENGLISH,
of Indiana.

Work and vote for Hancock and English.

The population of the United States is a little less than fifty millions.

The Democrats are at last united in Virginia, which will give us the State in November next.

Dr. Tanner, worried through his forty days fast, and is rapidly recovering. Most people set him down as a humbug.

INDIANA is now the great point of interest in the political world. The Republicans are moving on it in their strongest column.

A PETITION has been filed to establish a new voting precinct in this county, at Jordan, the new district to be made up of portions of the Hickman and Cayce precincts.

So far there have been no indications of a return of yellow fever at Memphis. Her escape is doubtless owing to the perfect sewerage introduced since the last epidemic.

Our anxiety makes us fearfully doubtful about Indiana. The Republicans are making a hot campaign, and the Democrats some how are not fighting with the old time vim.

WHY should Gen. Weaver, who is a "flat money apostle, be passing ibs hat around for dollar subscriptions for election expenses. Why don't he make the dollars?—Public Ledger.

IF Fulton county Democrats don't rouse up and "boom" for Hancock, now the local elections are passed, we shall be tempted to send for some prominent Republican to come down and "coax" us all.

THERE are a few Greenback voters in Fulton, Hickman and Graves counties. Will some one tell us what they are now fighting for, and what they hope to accomplish. Every vote they poll in Kentucky only lessens the Democratic majority.

THE people of Nashville are just now interested in the alligator question, three having recently been seen in Cumberland river at that point. One was killed. He weighed twenty pounds and measured four feet and 10 inches from head to tail.

Our Kentucky State Guard has had a grand encampment at Crab Orchard spring's which cost the State $15,000! but there being no money in the treasury for such purposes the Governor is at a loss to know how to pay for the grand display.

THE news from Illinois regarding the campaign continues to be encouraging, and it is emphatically asserted by those who have been in all parts of that State that she will cast her vote for the Democratic State ticket, and also for the National ticket.

Large numbers of colored men voted the Democratic ticket in Alabama, Monday. They have found out at last that it is to their interest to cut loose from the Republican element that has so long made fools of them, without any adequate compensation for their support.

COL. HENRY WALKER, of Massachusetts, Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, writes the National Democratic Committee: "Our rival State Committees have met and joined hands; we go into the fight united: everything looks well here for the heaviest Democratic vote ever polled in the State. Our people are enthusiastic and believe in success. I have been surprised at the large number of Republicans, soldiers and others, who say openly they shall vote for Hancock."

NOTWITHSTANDING its vulgar aspects, the fast of Dr. Tanner has been of great interest. It establishes a new fact of the power of the human body to go without food. It has even excited interest in the religious world. It is hoped that one experiment of this kind will suffice, and that we shall not have starving watches added to walking, swimming, eating, drinking, rowing, running and other matches too numerous to mention. Once, it is well enough. It does not need to be repeated, at least for a century.

The Elmira Gazette announces that a democrat has deposited in its office the sum of $1,000, to be matched against a like sum from the pockets of any republican who believes in Garfield's success, the bets to be distributed as follows:

$100 that Hancock carries Connecticut. $100 that Hancock carries New Jersey. $100 that Hancock carries Indiana. $100 that Hancock carries New York. $100 that he wins all the above bets. And $1,000 that Hancock will be elected.

All offers to be accepted or none.

THE Hickman Courier says the New York Sun is for Ben Butler for Governor of Massachusetts. In the New York Sun related to the son of York, whose arrival is now had no marked an effect upon the weather?—*Bowling Green Intelligencer.*

Don't believe we said it, but if we did, and you don't stop making such flings, you'll find your glorious summer made a winter of discontent by a 180 pound son—in the shape of a fighting editor!

PADUCAH, the metropolis of the district that once proudly called itself "the Gibraltar of Democracy," has been carried by the Republicans, and the district is represented in Congress by an independent, who defeated to the Democratic party the terms upon which he will accept a nomination at its hands. Jackson seems not to have known what he was about when he made "the purchase."—*Bowling Green Intelligencer.*

The convention Democrats have the obsallenge square in their face to put forward a nominee, but they seem loth to respond. The rank and file who favored a convention heretofore, so far as we know, favor one yet. The trouble seems to be that the aspirants are not anxious to tackle Tanner. Tanner has made a good member of Congress, is a good Democrat, and has gained strength since the last election. A convention might make worse men as it did two years ago.

The Republican conference has announced to the world that the Republicans mean business. The South can take care of itself, but we propose to carry the North. This is bold and to the point. It is sound policy. Few parties in our history would have had the courage to hold an open conference to discuss a plan of campaign.—*Louisville Commercial.*

The plan of the Republican campaign thus announced is to waste no time, money, or exertion upon the Southern States, but to concede the 138 electoral votes of the South to Hancock, and to make their fight exclusively in the North—a solid North against a solid South. The Democrats should meet them on their announced programme, and throw all their power in an effort to carry certain Northern States, leaving the Southern States severely alone. On a square, confident, enthusiastic fight and fair count, the democrats can carry New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, New Jersey, Connecticut, California, Colorado, and Oregon, or at least can carry most of them.

Bankers Discharged.

Oswego, Ks., Aug. 10—The supposed Benders had a preliminary examination to-day, and were discharged.

The Thing Explained.

[Atlanta Constitutue.]

It is not easy to stop going to Congress when a man gets in the habit of it. It is like smoking five cent cigars—the more you smoke the more you want to smoke.

Cases of Yellow Fever.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—Capt. E. C. Harris, his first mate, John Fender, Steward W. Brown, and seamen John Martin and Thomas Casey, were taken from the schooner Augusta from Port De Paix, Saturday and sent to the Fever Hospital at quarantine.

Fast Mail on the Mississippi.

Captain John H. Baldwin has written a letter to the Pittsburg Dispatch, in reply to an article in that paper, regarding the fast mail packet for the lower river, in which he says this enterprise has assumed a much larger scope than originally intended and will include a tri-weekly fast mail line, a daily line, fast freight, and passenger packets and a barge consisting of four powerful tow boats, with five barges each. This will involve an outlay of $700,000, all of which has been provided for, and the different lines will be completed and running in a year.

How things are Mixed in Maine.

[Maine Letter to the Philadelphia Press.]

Investigation proves, however, that a vast majority of the Federal offices in the State are filled with men hostile to the present Republican management. It is readily stated as a fact by careful and earnest Republicans that Plaisted, the Democratic candidate for Governor, has, until recently, been a power in naming Federal office-holders for the State of Maine. The Postmaster at Portland, who fills one of the best positions in the State, is quoted as approving the attempt of the coalition to steal the State, and is the recognized friend of the Democratic candidate for congress in the first district, as against Mr. Reed, the Republican. Other equally flagrant cases could be cited to show to what extent the Federal power has been used in this State to cripple the Republican organization.

Carl Schurz is booming for Garfield at $200 a night. He does not say any thing in favor of Arthur, and the managers propose to give him $50 extra if he will endorse the tail as well as the head of the ticket.

Hon Oscar Turner is still suffering very much with inflamation of his cripple leg, and is under treatment of Dr. David W. Yandell, who thinks he will be able to get up in two or three weeks. Mrs. Oscar Turner is still confined to her bed, but we are pleased to learn that she is improving. —Courier Journal.

The contemplated invasion of Mexico from the United States is a thoroughly absurd scheme of some crack brained enthusiast; but it will be of some service to both countries if it shall prove the means of destroying forever the good faith of the United States. It may be the means of cementing ties between the two countries which will be worth far more than any acquisition of territory.

These are the golden sentences in General Hancock's letter to General Sherman: "The army should have nothing to do with the election or inauguration of a President." "The people elect the President." "The Congress declares in a joint session who he is" "Our system does not provide that one President should inaugurate another; there might be danger in that, and it was studiously left out of the charter."

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Two Remarkable Letters—Republicans Invoke Epistolary Dynamite—Mr. Garfield Morally Oblique, but a great Man.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, August 10, 1880.

It is not too much to say that, the appearance of General Hancock's letter of acceptance, followed by the publication of his remarkable letter to General Sherman, has produced a feeling of depression, almost amounting to panic, among the thousands of office holders here, whose bread and butter depend upon his defeat. Republicans had begun to recover from the shock of what all admitted was a singularly strong and wise nomination. Their splendid organization, if not proof against defeat, was, at least, proof against a complete rout in the beginning of the campaign. Their boundless resources, used effectively, had stimulated the most faint hearted, if not with confidence, at least with hope. An improved action was beginning to be felt in the re-lubricated machine. But to have their own guns captured and turned against them would have been too much for the steadiest discipline and most splendid morale.

The chiefest danger to Democratic success now, is that the party will trust too much to the invulnerability of their leader, General Hancock's unimpeachable record in war and in peace, his undoubted ability, which makes him, even in a private letter discussing national affairs in a most critical period, talk with the direct simplicity of a soldier and the profound insight of a statesman, has silenced the argument that he was a military man merely, and unfitted to measure and weigh the great questions that modern civilization propounds to executive statesmanship. That argument was futile against Grant, even after he had justified it by the most deplorable presidential term to our history, and those who have been using it with inane iteration against Hancock were the very persons whom neither the theory nor the practice could convince in two terms of Grant, but who endeavored to give him a third term.

That General Garfield is morally oblique the Credit Mobilier and DeGolyer episodes, but especially the Electoral Commission history, show. I have been taken to task for denying in a former letter, that he was a man of great intellect. We judge intellects by comparison. I have seen and heard the Republican candidate in various situations during the last seven years. I have also had an opportunity to compare him with other men who have achieved greatness, so called, like Thor man; or been born great, like Don Cameron; or have had greatness forced upon them, like Ackley, Spencer, and Patterson, of the solid South. Compared with the latter three I think Garfield is a great man, but as compared with Thurman, Gladstone, and Gambetta he is like the combined littleness of Ackley, Spencer, and Patterson. But my assertion proves nothing. Well and Carlyle's estimate of Burns is a great novelist; "Those to whom he is great may, with all impunity, think him small." Brett Harte's great epigram, in the New York Nation, was open to its contempt of the weakness of his letter of acceptance. No one has ever supposed that the fraudulent executive was a great man, and yet his letter of acceptance was a phalanx of principles, on a array of splendid promises, and a much more effective document than anything Garfield has uttered or is capable of uttering.

A Georgia Horror.

A dispatch from Americus, Webster county, Ga., dated August 10th, says: "Last evening Woodson L. Gunnels, a well to do farmer, living twenty miles west of here, left home to visit a sick neighbor. Returning, at 10 o'clock in the evening, he found his wife and nine of his ten small children in a horrible sleep from the effects of morphia, administered in lemonade by Mrs. Gunnels. There is no doubt but that she prepared the fatal beverage and administered it to the children and drank of it herself, with fatal intent. Mr. Gunnels was married to this his second wife about ten years, and has by her four children. The other six are by a previous wife. As far as is known the step mother has been a faithful and kind parent to them. Medical aid was immediately summoned, but Mrs. Gunnels soon died, and no hopes of recovery are entertained for three of the children. The others are believed to be out of danger. A note in the hand writing of Mrs. Gunnels was found under a package of morphia on the table, in which she stated that she had deliberately administered morphia to the children and herself, with the intention of destroying them, but that she was not actuated by any domestic trouble.

The most horrible essays of murder reported in modern times have been those of the Benders in Kansas. In both cases the victims were found at

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Local Items.

☞Short communications on public questions printed—but not responsible for sentiments or expressions of correspondents—except where we refuse to give name of author.

Some citizens take the hint, and are fixing their pavements. Others should follow.

The sheriff's election will, probably, not be contested or litigated, as report has had it.

$15.00 WILL BUY A good SEWING MACHINE. BUCK & COWGILL'S. aug13-2t

Improvements in Hickman are lagging for the want of brick. Why don't some one make several million?

Quite a number of transfers of real estate have occurred the last week or so. Town lots are stiffening up in prices.

Rev. Dr. Guildford Jones, of Memphis, will preach at the Methodist church, in this city, on the 8th Sunday, Aug. 29.

The members and friends of the Episcopal church are requested to meet at the church, Sunday morning at 9 o'clock.

OUR fascinating friend, J. W. Rogers, is now receiving a splendid lot of fresh Groceries, which he is offering for sale at the very lowest prices.

The COURIER office now floats a Hancock and English flag from its upper window—a present from Mr. John Hellmer.

Again, we remind the public of the large demand for dwelling houses—twenty-five or thirty could be readily disposed of.

The contract for the rough lumber for the Hickman Oil Factory, 500,000 feet, has been let to A. W. McDonald & Co., of Hickman.

Capt. Randle is improving the property near the Catholic church—making it new, designed as a residence for Col. Henry Little.

WANTED.—A Second hand CORN MILL 30 or 36 in Bahr.
Address, M. G. BATCHER,
aug13 New Madrid, Mo.

Again, we have the promise of an elevator to transfer freights from the river to the railroad. If it is to be built, now is the time to commence the work.

We learn from the *Enterprise Messenger*, Dexter, Mo., that sheriff Hickman, of Obion county, contemplates locating in that vicinity this fall. Obion county will lose a good citizen.

Another citizen of Hickman drowned in the many articles kept by Scaggs & Co. Only 40 dozen more of those 70cts per dozen Fruit Jars left. Also, a fresh lot of Groceries just received. Call and see them.

The following is the Chinese version of Mary and her lamb:

Was gal name Moll had lamb,
Else all samee white snow,
Evly place Moll gal walkee,
Ba, bo happee long time.

If you want to make your wife and children happy, go to J. W. ROGERS and get a can of fresh Mackerel, only 75 cents per can. aplso

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Hickman Lumber and Manufacturing Company, held on Monday last, Mr. Geo. Warren tendered his resignation as president of said Company, whereupon, Capt. C. L. Randle was elected to fill the unexpired term.

To morrow, 14th inst., the United Brothers of Friendship will celebrate their first anniversary with a free barbecue and picnic at the Fair Grounds. We venture to say that those of our white citizens who may attend will meet with a cordial reception.

Wheat Wanted.
The highest cash price paid by
june11 J. H. PLAUT & BRO.

The ball at McCutchen Hall, Monday night last, was a very nice affair, and the young folks seemed to enjoy themselves hugely. Several young ladies, visiting our city, honored the occasion with their presence, and did much to render the evening enjoyable.

BUCK & COWGILL are selling Sewing Machines for $25 with a five year's warrantee. They are determined to control the Sewing Machine trade, and wont be undersold. Call and see their machines before buying from traveling agents at high prices. aug6-3t

As the Fair time of year approaches some of our citizens begin to regret that they let our county Fair pass out of existence. Everything else being on a brisk forward improvement, it is to be regretted that our Agricultural interests are neglected. The farmers must go along with us in our prosperity.

Ladies, be Careful!
Don't spoil your pickles by using bad vinegar—but go to Buck & Cowgill's and get some of their old country made vinegar.

The negro, Alec. Allison, who killed Harry Crenshaw, at Woodland Mills, last week, is in jail at Troy. The report that he was taken from the jail and hung was not true. The sentiment of the people of the killing is divided, some white citizens asserting that the negro was not as censurable as first reports had it.

On last Sunday evening, while some little boys were bathing in the river just above the railroad wharf, one of them ventured into deep water, and, being unable to swim, would undoubtedly have drowned had not some of the larger ones rescued him. This should be a warning to the little boys to keep out of the river, and parents should see to it that they do.

Best Whisky.
The best grades of whisky, kept at reasonable prices, by
ap13o J. W. ROGERS.

Markets.
The wheat market continues dull and languid. The large crops reported in the West seems to have a very marked effect on the prices, and we do not new look for any material advance in prices. The receipts here are not large, but still some considerable wheat coming in all the time. We quote choice 80@87c; medium 70@80c; common 60@70c.

Corn is dull. We quote choice white for milling purposes at 36c; yellow 34cts per bushel.

Apples so low not much use of quoting.

Proceedings of County Court.

JUDGE H. C. BAILEY, PRESIDING.

DEPUTY CLERK.

On motion of John A. Wilson, W. L. Alexander, jr., was appointed deputy county clerk, whereupon said Alexander appeared in open court and took the oath as such deputy.

SETTLEMENTS.

The following settlements were then produced in court and ordered to be filed and lie over for exception:

Settlement of Dow Davis, guardian of Felix G., Mary E., and Jeff Davis.

Settlement of R. D. Watson, guardian of Chas. Watson.

Settlement of J. H. Simmons, guardian of Eli Newton.

Settlement of Jesse G. Jones, guardian of Elizabeth Gore. Also, settlement of same as guardian of Wm. Craig's heirs.

GUARDIANS.

On motion, W. D. Reichheson was appointed guardian of Margaret E. Gore and executed bond with Arthur King and John A. Townsend as sureties.

T. D. Davis, guardian of D. D. Davis, executed new bond with P. G. Davis and E. M. Bradley as sureties, which was approved by the court.

Jesse B. Craig, a minor, over the age of 14, appeared in court and chose Joseph W. Poyner as his guardian, and the court approving the choice, the said Poyner with J. A. Golder as security, executed bond as such guardian.

On motion, Jos. D. Leech was appointed guardian of W. H. Craig, a minor, under 14, and executed bond with Hugh Cooper as surety.

On motion, W. R. Reed was appointed guardian of Kate Ella Reed, his daughter, and executed bond with T. D. Brown and Lewis Roper as sureties.

LICENSES.

W. K. Hell, of Fulton, Ky., proving to the satisfaction of the court that he was a merchant, was granted license to sell whisky in quantities not less than a quart.

SETTLEMENT.

The settlement of C. P. McClellan, guardian of G. W. and J. R. McClellan, was confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

ROADS.

Ordered that Jas. Asbell and hands be assigned to work on the south end of the Jordan and Coyne road.

Ordered that J. H. Atteberry and hands be assigned to work on the State road from A. H. Scarce's to Wilkins' west line.

Ordered that M. Chambers and hands, and Ben Connelly and hands be assigned to work on the State line road from the head waters of Mud creek to John Shepherd's gate.

Ordered that F. M. Shuck and hands be assigned to work on the Troy and Moscow road from the State line to Alexander's blacksmith shop.

Ordered that the heads on the Benton place, the Rose place, and the Tittsworth place be assigned to work on the Shuck road from Rogers' east line to the Moscow road.

On motion of C. A. Holcombe the case of Dodde and Plummer on pet. ejpartie, was reinstated on the docket, and J. W. Moyes, A. H. Leet and J. H. Dodds were appointed viewers with instructions to view the change in the State road, made by C. A. Holcombe over his land, and to report to the next term of the court whether or not the new route opened was 60 feet wide and in good traveling order.

Father Anastasius returns to the charge of the Hickman Catholic church. Father Feehan going to Paducah as church Superior in Western Kentucky.

Just now the newspapers are teeming with the paragraph, "Don't drink ice water when you are hot," and it is one that should be regarded by all. The time to drink ice water is along in the dead of winter, when it is a right scratch to keep from freezing to death.

General W. S. Hancock has declined an invitation to attend the St. Louis Fair in October.

Illinois threatens to go Democratic this year. Don't laugh, brethren, the Republican personnel This is the ground swell period.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Tanner has been offered $2 700 to deliver ten tenores in California. As soon as he creates a famine in New York he will start West to fill this engagement.

The man who can prove that Geo. Hancock cut off his grand mother's corn and used them for fish bait will be properly rewarded by forwarding relacts 10 e Republicen newspaper.—[Philadelphia Chronicle-Herold.

Nevada's First Nugget.

Nevada's first nugget was mined with a butcher's knife. John Orr started across the plains in 1849. The roads were bad, the weather was worse, and to increase the trouble through the winter at Salt Lake. In April he resumed his journey. He had a partner named Nick Kelly, after whom Kelly's ravine is named, and in the company was William Prouse, now living in Nurb City, about forty miles southeast of Salt Lak. Prouse had worked in mines before gold was discovered at Coloma, and was a good prospector. Arriving at the basin on the edge of what is now known as Gold Canon, near the Carson River, to let the animals feed on some bunch grass found growing near the sage brush. Prouse, at noontime, took a milk pan, and going down to the gulch began washing dirt, in a few minutes getting down to the value of a few cents. Orr then named the place Gold Canon. The rain soon after resumed travel, going to the head of Carson Valley. There they met a party of seven, who had left the rain at the bank of the Humboldt, intending to go in advance to California and select good locations for the remainder of the party. They had been unable to cross the country, and had been lost in the snow in the mountains for four or five days, unable to find the divide in Hagerstown. A stay in Carson for three weeks followed, when Orr, Kelly and several others returned to Gold Canon and resumed prospecting. Kelly and Orr went up the canon until a little fork was reached, when work was begun. The party had few tools, and Orr had nothing but a knife. While Kelly was working he noticed a very narrow place at the fork, where the water barely covered a slab of slate rock. Idly he examined it, and noticed a small crevice near the edge, drove the knife into it, breaking out a piece. The water running over it washed away the underlaying dirt, and in a few minutes he discovered a gold nugget where the rock had covered it. It was quickly removed, and afterward found to weigh $8.25. This was the last of June, 1850, just thirty years ago. Prospecting was continued, and though dust was found in several places throughout the canon, Orr's was the only nugget. He still has it in his possession, the first ever found in Nevada.

Good Advice.

[Henderson Reporter.]

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The General Statutes read:

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At the late election in Fulton county, the deputy sheriff was a candidate for the office of sheriff, the sheriff held the election and acted as one of the comparing board. Ha! ha! This is a nice mess for a lawyer sheriff to fix up, a plain, palpable violation of law. If this prevails, then in future, the sheriff can be deputy and the deputy sheriff, putting each other through, first one and then the other, ad infinitem. No other person need apply. W.

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COFFEE, Rio, 16a20 per lb.
CRACKERS, 7a8c per lb.
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A Reminiscence of Gen. Scott.

One evening during the early days of our "late unpleasantness" the room to be an exhibition of Grammar School No. 46 in New York City. I arrived late at the school building, and found several distinguished looking visitors on the platform of the hall. Among them was one whom I at once recognized by the portraits I had seen of him—it was Major-General Scott, the hero of the Mexican war. He was in full regimentals, and sat in an arm chair a little to the right of the center of the stage—a very grand, large man, with snowy hair and whiskers. He gave the most flattering, the most rapt attention to the reading of every composition, to all the singing, declamation—every exhibition of skill, however perfectly or imperfectly done. The presence of so distinguished a visitor stimulated some to do their best, while it scared others into doing their very worst. It was on the whole, however, a brilliant success.

After the exercises the president of our local board of school officers approached the General's chair and said something to him. We knew he was asked to make a "few remarks," and wondered if he would consent. To our great delight, there were evident signs of complying—the old hero commenced to rise. One of the school officers approaching his chair on the opposite side offered to assist him. He declined assistance, but when the gentleman persisted and made an attempt to take hold of his arm, General Scott impatiently and imperatively put him aside. Those near the platform heard him say, "I need no assistance—no assistance—only give me a little time." The process of getting straightened up on the part of the General was very slow, but not a privy or a trembling one, and suggested rather a fortunate infirmity than the stiffness of age, though he must have been over seventy. How tremendously tall he seemed as he stretched his majestic figure higher and higher until he towered half a foot or more above the men around him! Then he was introduced to the children, and the beauteous applause of hundreds of small hands greeted him from every part of the immense hall. The applause continued until the principal touched the bell. The General waited until the silence was perfect, and then he said, in a clear, ringing voice, "Young men and maidens"—and for over a half-hour he held forth in a majestic simplicity of style never to be forgotten by any boy or girl who heard him, though there was nothing very original about anything he said. He praised and encouraged the pupils and aroused them to new effort. He compared their educational advantages to those of other lands, and with those of this country fifty years ago. It was, in short, the prince of what children call "goody speeches."—*N. Y. Graphic.*

New and Stale Bread.

The nature of the difference between new and stale bread is but little being known. It is only lately that the celebrated French chemist, Bonsingault, instituted an inquiry into it, from which it results that the difference is not the consequence of desiccation, but solely of the cooling of the bread. If we take fresh bread into the cellar or in any place where it cannot dry, the inner part of the loaf, it is true, is found to be crumby, but the crust has become soft and is no longer brittle. If stale bread is taken back into the oven again it assumes all the qualities of fresh baked bread, although in the hot oven it must undoubtedly have lost part of its moisture. M. Bonsingault has made a fresh loaf of bread the subject of minute investigation, and the results are anything but uninteresting. New bread, in its smallest parts, is so soft, clammy, flexible and glutinous, (in consequence of the starch during the process of fermenting, and subsequent baking,) as to be reduced into mucilaginous doctrine) that by mastication it is with greater difficulty separated and reduced to smaller pieces, and in its smallest parts is less under the influence of the saliva and digestive juices. It consequently forms itself into hard balls by careless and hasty mastication and deglutition, becomes coated over by saliva and slime, and in this state enters the stomach. The gastric juice being unable to penetrate such hard masses, and being scarcely able even to act upon the surface of them, they frequently remain in the stomach unchanged, and, like foreign bodies, irritate and incommode it, inducing every species of suffering—oppression of the stomach, pain in the chest, disturbed circulation of the blood, congestions and pains in the head, irritation of the brain, and inflammation, apoplectic attacks, cramp and delirium. —*The Miller.*

A glass bottle so focused the sun's rays in Alyth, Scotland, as to set fire to a house.

Humor in the Printing Office.

There is one species of secrecy—that relating to the careful supervision of confidential public documents, books printed for secret societies, and the authorship of articles or pamphlets, not ready referred to, which has been most honorably maintained. When treason are prematurely published in newspapers the copy is obtained from some leaky or venal official, and not from any of the printers who set up or work off the original. A case of this kind occurred a year or two ago, wherein a convention had been in the county and another power was revealed to one of the evening newspapers. In the Foreign Office, at Whitehall, there is a regular staff of printers always at work, and if these men liked they might let out secrets of the most momentous kind, any one of which would, perhaps, in these days of journalistic competition, be worth a few hundred pounds. But such a dereliction of duty has never yet occurred; it was a clerk, and not a compositor, who betrayed his trust.

Most honorable to the profession is the story of Harding, the printer, who bravely bore imprisonment rather than reveal the authorship of the celebrated "Drapier" letters. The printer sat in his cell calmly refusing the entreaties of his friends to divulge the name of the writer, Dean Swift, a church magnate, and a great wit, who dressed himself in the disguise of a low Irish peasant, and sat by, listening to the noble refusal and the tender importunities, only anxious that no word or glance from the unfortunate printer should reveal the secret. Swift was bent solely upon securing his own safety at the expense of the printer; he cowered before the dark danger which Harding boldly confronted. The world has unequally allotted the meed of fame to the two combatants. The wit and the printer both fought the battle for the liberty of the press, until the scene of an outraged community released the typographer from the peril so nobly encountered.

There is also the allegiance which printers pay to their chief, in not divulging important intelligence. In some cases a compositor is necessarily intrusted with an item of news which would be negotiable immediately, and worth pounds to him. Seldom or ever is there a betrayal of trust in this way. The examination papers, printed so extensively in London, are of the most tremendous importance to certain classes, who would pay almost any sum to obtain the roughest proof the night before. An instance of this kind occurred quite recently. A printer was "got at," and promised a considerable amount of money for a rough proof. What was his course of action? He simply informed the authorities, and the tempter was punished. It was another and a creditable example of how well and honorably kept are the secrets of the printing office.

How "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Came to be Written.

Mrs. Jane G. Swisshelm, in her book entitled "Half a Century," gives the following account of the origin of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Mrs. Swisshelm, giving an account of her first journey to Washington, says:

"I had letters to the proprietor of the Irving House, where I went to board. Had others to Col. Benton, Henry Clay and other great men, but he who most fascinated me was Dr. Gamaliel Bailey, editor of the *National Era*. The great want of an anti-slavery paper at the capital had been supplied by 8th subscriptions to a publication fund, and Dr. Bailey called from Cincinnati take charge of it, and few men have kept a charge with more care and skill. He and the *Era* had just passed the ordeal of a frightful mob, in which he was constabulary, unyielding and victorious; and he was just then gravely anxious that the *Era* should do yeoman service to the cause which had called it into life.

"The *Era* had a large circulation, and high literary standing, but Dr. Bailey was troubled about the difficulty or impossibility of procuring anti-slavery tales. Mrs. Southworth was writing serials for it, and he had hoped that she, a Southern woman with Northern principles, would weave into her stories pictures of slavery which would call damaging attention to it, but in this she had failed.

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Kissing in Paris.

At a party of young people in Paris the conversation turned for a time on the subject of kissing, and the question was propounded who of the young men present could boast of having given or being able to give "his girl" the most kisses. Various were the replies this question called forth. Finally a young man and the girl to whom he was betrothed bet 500 francs that they could kiss 10,000 times in ten hours, provided they would be allowed to take an occasional glass "between." Two persons were appointed a committee to count the number of kisses, and the work began. The first hour the first hour they counted 2,000 kisses. During the second hour the kisses were not nearly as numerous, for the committee only counted 1,000. After the third hour, during which they managed to score but 1,750, further operations were brought to a sudden standstill. The lips of the young man were scored with a cramp, and he was carried off in a fainting condition. The girl, a few days later, was stricken with brain fever. When the people who had won the bet demanded their money, the parents of the girl refused to pay her share of it. The matter was then taken to the courts; there it was decided that the bet must be paid.

For applying to wounds made by removing large limbs in spinning fruit trees nothing is better than gum shellac, dissolved in alcohol to the consistency of paint.

Big Elms in New England.

In Deerfield, Mass., the Williams elm measures in circumference at one foot from the ground, 26 feet; at four feet, 19 feet; at seven feet, 20½ feet.

Another elm measures, at the same elevations, 27, 18½ and 19 feet.

Another measures 22½, 15½ and 13½. This last-named tree has a spread of 100 feet. The Williams elm measures in its spread at least 150 feet.

At Weathersfield, Ct., there is an elm which measures, at three feet and three inches from the ground, 21 feet 5 inches. The girth of this tree where the roots enter the ground is 55 feet 6 inches. Its main limbs are great trees in themselves. Thus, the circumference of the south branch is 16 feet 8 inches; of the east branch, 11 feet 6 inches; northeast, 10 feet 8 inches; west, 8 feet 7. From north to south the diameter of the spread is 150 feet; from east to west, 132 feet, and the circumference of the spread is 429 feet.—*Hartford Times.*

The best soil for sweet potatoes is a sandy loam. If sand largely predominates they will flourish if well manured. New ground or virgin soil is especially favorable for this crop. It is the common practice to sow buckwheat on new land for the first crop and then to plant sweet potatoes for the second. An abundant crop is the general result. In heavy loam the vines grow luxuriantly, but the tubers are generally small, rooty and of inferior quality. In clayey soil sweet potatoes will not thrive.

In some parts of Germany, instead of sending the wool to be spun, it is hung up in a dry, well-ventilated room, and painted over with wood vinegar (pyroligneous acid), an acid distilled over when wood is burned in air-tight stoves, or any other place where there is not free access of atmospheric air. The painting three or four times with this vinegar answers every purpose of smoking. It protects the meat from insects, fungi, and putrefaction.

Loved Another.

Fanny Fuld was one of the beauties of Baltimore. She married Eli Elias, a wealthy young merchant, and the wedding was a great social event in that city. A few months ago, after six months of seeming happiness, the wife confessed to her husband that she was in love with another man. He said at once that they must part, and, though she begged hard to stay with him, promising the utmost circumspection of conduct, he insisted upon ending her off. She grew despondent, and wrote imploring letters to him, but he would not see her. At last she has committed suicide.

A Family Discussion on the Nihilists.

Mrs. Fitzgoggles, youthful and prepossessing wife of Prof. Fitzgoggles, the great classical scholar, whom Mrs. F. adores up to the gold rims of his eye glasses, with the discriminating adoration, has been reading the trial of the Russian Nihilists. For the first time in her life it occurs to her that it might be best to understand the meaning of the term "Nihilist." She consults the professor over the soup. This is how the discussion goes:

"My dear, who are these dreadful people, the Nihilists?"

The professor sniffs something and adjusts his glasses.

"The Nihilists, my love?"

"Yes, my darling."

"They are Russian revolutionists, my dear."

"I know that, stupid."

"Then why did you ask me for information that you already possessed?"

"Why will you be so provoking? I want to know who they are."

"I have already told you."

"You told me nothing. They shoot and stab people, don't they, and blow up Bailey was troubled about the difficulty or impossibility of procuring anti-slavery tales. Mrs. Southworth was writing serials for it, and he had hoped that she, a Southern woman with Northern principles, would weave into her stories pictures of slavery which would call damaging attention to it, but in this she had failed.

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"Tis a nice time of night for you to be coming in," said a mother to her daughter, who returned from a walk at 11 o'clock. "When I was like you," continued she, "my mother would not allow me out later than 7 o'clock." "Oh, you had a nice sort of a mother," murmured the girl. "I had, you young jade, a nicer mother than ever you had," said the mother.

Growth of the Earth.

The millions of acrolites descending upon the earth as an everlasting shower over all its surface prove that the earth is growing; the gradual rise of its oceans proves the fact, and the great truth is also demonstrated by the bottoms of all these oceans, according to their various depths, constantly getting filled up by primary formations. In short, the universal law of terrestrial growth is demonstrated by every shell upon the shore, which, by its formation, is just that much permanently added to the bulk. But sinking into the bowels of the earth as deep as man can reach proves the growth of the earth far more strongly than all the facts and words which are available on the momentous question; for no matter how far down, every inch of the descent was once the surface, however low it may now be cut of sight, by the accumulation of creative increase over it since the time. Thus, as far as we have been enabled to penetrate, and the rule holds good over every part of its surface, we find the strata, however deep we may descend, all lying, as to time, in the order of their formation. They can not be otherwise, as new accumulations of nature could reverse the position of one stratum by superimposition of another. If we sink down through the strata to the depth of, say, a thousand yards, we pass through the works of several geological epochs, the first one that on which the drift of the deluge rests, the latest formation, the next—if not the uppermost—being the living link—a step in time earlier, and so on in succession, until we reach the lowest stratum at the depth mentioned, the oldest one in the series. There it is just as it was originally deposited, then on the face of the earth, perhaps more than 1,000,000 years ago, while all the others above it, in the latter times superimposed in their respective geological epochs, up to the surface. There is another such formation going on and getting thicker under all oceans since the present continental features of the globe arose, which will yet be dry land, and will be the latest formation for the geologists of the remote future.—*Colburn's Magazine.*

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